

Version 5010 and ICD-10 They're coming. Will you be ready?

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CMS Has Created Implementation Handbooks to Help you Transition to ICD-10

All entities covered under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) must transition to the ICD-10 code sets by October 1, 2013. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has developed four Implementation Handbooks to assist you with your transition to ICD-10. These handbooks are step-by-step guides specifically for small and medium provider practices, large provider practices, small hospitals, and payers.

The appendix of each handbook references relevant templates which are available for download in both Excel and PDF files below. The templates are customizable and have been created to help entities clarify staff roles, set internal deadlines/responsibilities and assess vendor readiness.

View the step-by-step plans and relevant templates for each of the following audiences:

- Small/Medium Provider Practices
 - Relevant templates
- Large Provider Practices
 - Relevant templates
- Small Hospitals
 - Relevant templates
- Payers
 - Relevant templates

The ICD-10 Implementation Handbooks outline suggested steps and processes to take for a smooth transition to ICD-10. Providers, hospitals, and payers may use the guides to:

- Ensure the appropriate steps and actions are taken throughout the ICD-10 implementation process.
- Stay on top of deadlines by viewing the timelines within the handbooks.

Customize your transition plan by filling out the Excel templates listed in the appendices. The templates will assist you with clarifying staff roles, setting internal deadlines and responsibilities, and assessing vendor readiness.

Reminder

The Version 5010 compliance deadline is less than 60 days away.

All affected entities must first convert to Version 5010 by January 1, 2012 in order for the ICD-10 medical code sets to work. In order to meet this compliance deadline, you need to conduct both Level I Internal Testing, and Level II External Testing of transactions. Once your practice is fully transitioned to Version 5010, take the necessary steps listed in the ICD-10 Implementation Handbooks to help you prepare for ICD-10.

Keep Up to Date on Version 5010 and ICD-10.

Please visit the <u>ICD-10 website</u> for the latest news and resources to help you prepare, and to download and share the implementation <u>widget</u> today!





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